

**CHARLTON BENEFICE
ONLINE WORSHIP
SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER
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THE GATHERING**

Yvonne welcomes people to worship

Introit Hymn

President In the name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The president greets the people

President The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

YVONNE **Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your
Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily
magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

YVONNE God so loved the world that he gave his only Son Jesus
Christ to save us from our sins, to be our advocate in
heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.
Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, firmly
resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

YVONNE – let's confess our sins together

**Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we
have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through
our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us,**

**forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light.
Amen.**

Absolution

Liz May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Gloria

The Collect

The President introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'. The Collect is said, and all respond Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading – read by YVONNE

A reading from the Psalms.

O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast. If I say, 'Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night', even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

at the end of the reading ...

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

New Testament lesson read by Bernice

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Therefore you have no excuse, whoever you are, when you judge others; for in passing judgement on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, are doing the very same things. You say, 'We know that God's judgement on those who do such things is in accordance with truth.' Do you imagine, whoever you are, that when you judge those who do such things and yet do them yourself, you will escape the judgement of God? Or do you despise the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience? Do you not realize that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

at the end of the reading ...

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

Gospel Reading – read by Juliana

Reader Alleluia, alleluia.
We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes
from the mouth of God.
Alleluia.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich.

He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature.

So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way.

When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.'

So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.'

Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.'

Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham.

For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

Reader This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon – Revd Liz

After the sermon there is a period of quiet reflection.

Liz leads The Affirmation of Faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and
fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

President: Now Roberta is leading intercessions. Please make yourselves comfortable for them.

Prayers of Intercession – led by Roberta

President Let us pray for the Church and for the world, and let us be thankful for God's goodness.

Prayers and thanksgivings are now made.

After each prayer is said:

After the final prayer ...

Intercessor God of mercy,
**hear our prayer
and make us one in heart and mind**

to serve you with joy forever.
Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

‘Where two or three are gathered together in my name,’ says the Lord, ‘there am I in the midst of them.’

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

Preparation of the Table

President Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

Wise and gracious God,
you spread a table before us;
nourish your people with the word of life and the bread of heaven.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through your beloved Son Jesus Christ,
your living Word,
through whom you have created all
things; who was sent by you in your
great goodness to be our Saviour.

By the power of the Holy Spirit
he took flesh; as your Son,
born of the blessed Virgin,
he lived on earth and went about among us;
he opened wide his arms for us
on the cross; he put an end to death
by dying for us; and revealed
the resurrection by rising to new life;
so he fulfilled your will
and won for you a holy people.

Short Proper Preface, when appropriate.

Therefore with angels and archangels,
and with all the company of heaven,
we proclaim your great and glorious name,
for ever praising you and *singing*:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood
of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper

he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again

And so, Father,
calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection
and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of
praise and thanksgiving, we bring
before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us
worthy to stand in your presence and
serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one
cup, so that we, in the company
of St Thomas, St Luke and St Richard,
and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom,
and with whom,
and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

President As our Saviour taught us so we pray.

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

President **Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many,
we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei

Invitation to Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

Prayer before Distribution

**Most merciful Lord,
your love compels us to come in.**

**Our hands were unclean,
our hearts were unprepared;
we were not fit even to eat
the crumbs from under your table.
But you, Lord, are the God of our
salvation, and share your bread with
sinners. So cleanse and feed us with
the precious body and blood of your
Son,
that he may live in us and we in him;
and that we, with the whole company
of Christ, may sit and eat in your
kingdom.
Amen.**

Communion hymn

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept. The Post Communion prayer is said.

Notices

Final Prayer

YVONNE **Father of all, we give you thanks
and praise, that when we were still far
off you met us in your Son
and brought us home. Dying and living,
he declared your love, gave us grace,
and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body
live his risen life; we who drink his cup
bring life to others; we whom the
Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set
before us, so we and all your children
shall be free, and the whole earth live
to praise your name; through Christ
our Lord. Amen.**

THE BLESSING AND SENDING OUT

Please stand.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

May the Father from whom every family in earth and heaven receives its name strengthen you with his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith;
and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, come down upon you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Final Hymn